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Group Art Unit: 3751

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Enclosed Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116, Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter, and Re:

a Petition and Fee for One-Month Extension of Time U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/026,467

Docket No.: No.49

Dear Examiner Prunner:

Enclosed for filing is an Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116 in response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 5, 2005, along with an Excess Claim Fee Payment Letter and a Petition and Fee for a One-Month Extension of Time, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

JEH/geb **Enclosures**

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In re Application of

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Prunner, Kathleen

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	AFTER AMENDMENT	PREV. PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	FEE DUE
Total Claims	23	25	= 0	x \$ 50.00	\$
Indep. Claims	10	9	= 1	x \$ 200.00	\$ 200.00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

\$ 200.00

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481 in the amount of \$320.00 to cover the excess claim fees and extension of time fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date: \$/5/05

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